



Welcome to May, Small Business Month! Northwest Quilters is fortunate to have many existing as well as several new business members. Next time you are in need (or just want) some new fabric, quilting supplies or long arm services, please consider one of our business members. When shopping with them, it is helpful to mention that you are a NWQ member, so that they know that their membership is of value to them and to us. To find out who the business members are, you can look in your paper copy of the Membership Guide and Roster, or in the online version on the members-only page of the NWQ website. The online version is updated as members join so will

include our new business and individual members.

May is also near the end of NWQ's calendar year, which goes from July 1 to June 30. That means it is time to renew your membership if you haven't done so already. You can do it while attending one of our general meetings, or online. Doing so early makes it much easier for our Membership Chair, so please consider renewing soon!

Also at the May meeting is another chance to vote on a Challenge Quilt if you haven't already cast your vote. The quilts will again be displayed during the meeting, and then the winner will be announced towards the end of the meeting. The May meeting also includes a vote for the Executive Committee.

which consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Executive Committee is sworn in at the June meeting. The slate for the Executive upcoming year's Committee is Joan Spencer for President, Traci Kienberger for Vice President, Virginia Janzig for Secretary and Sandy Murphy for Treasurer.

Our next meeting will be a busy and important one so I hope to see you there! May is also *Correct Posture* month, so be sure to sit up straight in your seats at the meeting and especially in front of your sewing machine!

Paula Connell, President

MAY PROGRAM:

Our virtual speaker for the May General Membership meeting will be Beth Helfer of Eva Paige Quilt Designs, giving a lecture called "Oompah! Accordion Sewn HST's (half square triangles)", a technique with little waste and lots of HST's. Her website is **evapaigequilts.com**. She offers inspired designs with a relaxed attitude. A discount for the guild at her web shop will be available 2

days before and 2 days after the meeting. The guild-specific discount code will be available in a week or two. Look for it on our website! Evelyn Eason, Program Coordinator

COMFORTING QUILTS

The first fourteen days of March were very busy for Comforting Quilts with the monthly workday, then a booth at the quilt show, and lastly our regular activity at the general meeting.

The first three months of 2023 were relatively quiet for Comforting Quilts' donations, but we made up for this in April. Seven sets of quilts went to agencies that NWQ supports - thank you to the drivers who took care of those deliveries.

We gave 420 doll quilts to Portland Fire & Rescue Toy and Joy Makers, and this is our first contribution to their 2023 holiday season. Last year we gave 1,759 doll quilts, so we are hoping that our guild's members will continue making these little quilts throughout the coming months. We don't have specific measurements for a doll quilt; it can be square or rectangular, with no dimension less than 18" and no dimension greater than 25", with or without batting.

Portland Fire & Rescue also received 54 infant quilts that will be carried on fire trucks and in police cars to be ready to comfort very young children rescued from traumatic situations. These infant quilts are 36" square, a size that most of us can comfortably quilt on our domestic machines.

We don't offer kits for these small quilts, so please draw from your own stashes, but remember to check the packs of inspiration fabrics that we offer at the general meetings. Another 107 quilts of assorted sizes went to Habitat for Humanity, Nursing **Home Ministries, Salvation Army** West Women's & Children's Shelter, and Strength for the Journey. Most of those organizations receive multiple deliveries of quilts through the year, but Strength for the Journey receives a single donation of about two dozen bunk quilts that will go to persons living with HIV/AIDS when they attend the summer camp at Suttle Lake.

It was exciting at the April general meeting to see our kits fly off the CQ tables, many being taken by new members who were attending for the first time. We also had multiple offers to bind quilts, and even the one quilt for tying was taken. Thank you to everyone who is supporting Comforting Quilts because the committee relies on your help.

Wednesday 3rd May will be our next workday and we welcome everyone. All the details of venue and timing are on our website and in the roster. We always start with a great pile of pieced tops (lap, throw, bunk and twin) and take them through all the stages to produce quilts ready for tying. Bring a packed lunch but nothing else is needed. We are looking forward to meeting more of NWQ's new members.



"Quilting Bees"

originated in the Midwest United States during the 1800s, where a lack of neighbors and a need for socializing drew women together to finish quilts and make new friends.

The average quilter is 63 years old.

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SEW WELCOME IN HOLLYWOOD,
a new small group, meets
Sunday, May 21, 11:00 to 3:00 pm
at 2221 NE 41st Avenue, PDX 97212

- Would you like to join a small quilting group with people who share your interest in helping others?
- Would you like to repurpose your UFOs (unfinished objects) to make small and simple quilts for those who desperately need them?
- Would you like to try out a design you have in mind by making a small quilt for donation?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you're in luck! Rachel Stevens is

forming a new small group in the Hollywood District of NE Portland, and you're invited to join! With your permission, your finished quilts will be directed to Bienvenidos Quilts, an established Portland-based charity that provides quilts for children and adults at the southern U.S. border. Bienvenidos means "Welcome" in Spanish. The quilts are simple to make and don't require batting. You can see more about this organization at bienvenidosquilts.org

To learn more about this small group opportunity, contact Rachel Stevens at rachel.bienvenidosquilts@gmail.com OR 503-715-6263

Look for her display of Bienvenidos quilts at the May general meeting's show and tell.

Those attending this small group are equally welcome to bring their own non-Bienvenidos projects to work on at these meetings.

Those who cannot join this group are still very welcome to donate quilts and materials to the Bienvenidos Quilts project. Again, you can find more information at bienvenidosquilts.org

Retreat

We'd love to invite all members, both new and old, to join us for our summer retreat, June 26-2023. This retreat is held Monday thru Thursday at the Tilikum Retreat Center, located just five miles outside of Newberg, OR. As with all the NWO retreats, you will be able to meet new quilters, get inspired, make progress on your latest project, and share some laughs. Summer will be a perfect time to hike around the 17 acre lake (now refilled) at the camp. At this time there are still spaces available and beginning May 1, non-members will be able to register. One of the benefits of the retreat is being able to have discounts at the quilt stores in Newberg and McMinnville. Additional information is available on the enclosed registration form.

To register, you may go to the "Members Only" page and sign up online OR fill out the included registration form and mail it to Barbara OR sign up at the May guild meeting. The deadline for registration is June 10 or when our numbers reach 34.

Barbara Mason and Traci Kienberger



Business of the month -

We have so many wonderful Business Members! So many in fact, that I am in the process of getting everyone lined up for our Business of the Month program! Look for some changes to how that is going to happen!

When you are purchasing something from a business member, or having a quilt quilted, PLEASE make sure to mention that you are also a member of Northwest Quilters, and that you are supporting our Business Members! It lets them know that the extra money they pay for their membership is paying off for them!

Check out each of the Business Members who are listed in this issue! Our newest business member is Chase Lawrence of "Chase Quilts". Chase had the beautiful, award winning quilt at our show that was titled "The Anniversary Quilt". She is located on the west side of the Willamette and does digital edge-to-edge long-arm quilting.

NWQ Board

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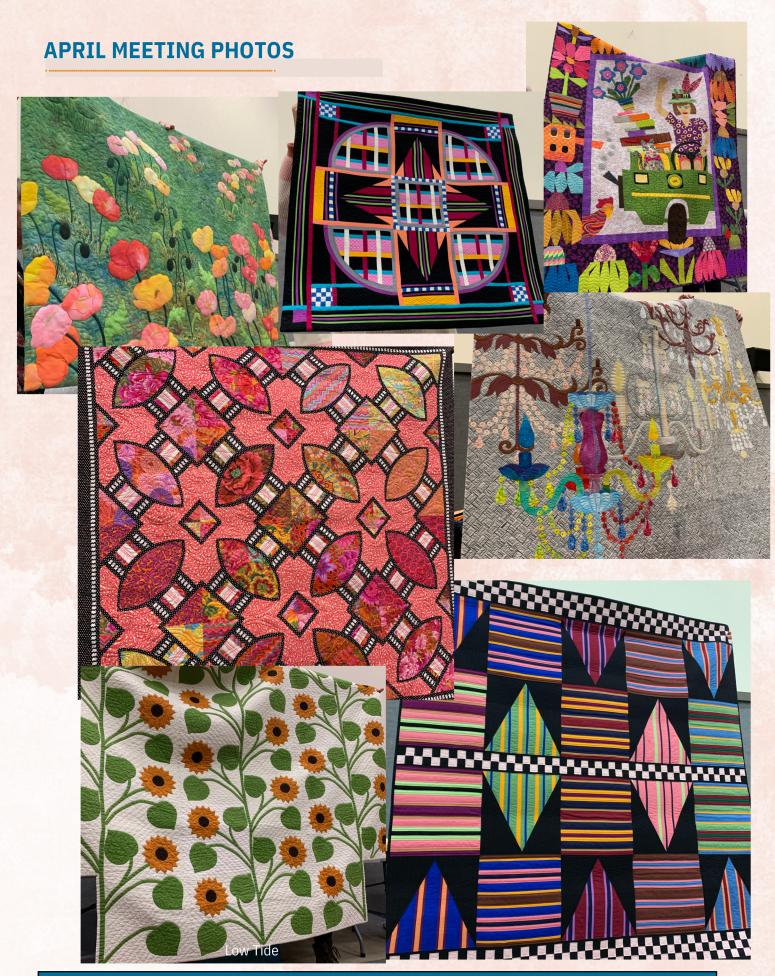
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Meeting Format Changes - In Person Attendance Only

During the April Board Meeting, we discussed the format for our guild meetings. Following Covid, once we could meet in person again, we were holding hybrid meetings, i.e. allowing members to attend either virtually or inperson. As many of you are aware, the experience for those attending virtually has been much less than ideal. Neither the church or NWO has the equipment and setup necessary to allow for satisfactory viewing and sound for the person participating remotely. Running the equipment and helping people to connect has also been quite time consuming for Jane Ratcliff and Bob Eldred, who have both done phenomenal work (thanks Jane and Bob!). And despite multiple pleas for people to help Jane and Bob, we have not had anyone step up to help them out. The number of people who have been attending virtually has also dropped off considerably.

For all of these reasons, the Board decided that we will only offer inperson attendance to our general meetings starting with the **May meeting**.

However, we will continue to feature speakers who present virtually. This allows us to obtain programs from speakers at much less expense for us, as we don't have to pay for travel and expenses. We are also able to get speakers that we would not previously have present at our meetings. Many speakers are now preferring to offer their services virtually, as it is much less disruptive to their schedule. This has been one positive that has come out of Covid.

I look forward to seeing everyone in person at our upcoming meetings. I love to give out hugs if anyone feels comfortable with that! Or just a friendly wave and hello is good too.



Deborah Anne Burton

Winner of Northwest Quilters' 2022 – 2023 Raffle Quilt



The **Rippin Robins** small quilt group is looking for a few new members.

Each year we start a new exchange challenge, meeting monthly to exchange our work. This year we will be making blocks for each member to make into a quilt at the end of the exchange. You may have seen our display at the Northwest Quilters quilt show in previous years. If you are interested in our group, contact Myra Turley at myrahouse@comcast.net

NORTHWEST QUILTERS PASSWORD - For "Members Only" Webpage

The "Members Only" area on the NWQ website is for current NWQ members. It contains an archive of the *ePatchwords*, BOM archive, Member roster, forms and more. Go to the homepage,

https://www.northwestquilters.org/

Click on the link "Members Only" on the main menu.

On the "Members Only" page, click on the "Log In" link and, in the prompt box, enter this Password: **Stashbuster23** (*Password as of August 1*). If you have any problems logging in, email the webmaster, Jane Ratcliff jratcliff@northwestquilters.org

NEW MEMBER PROGRAM

I'm happily repeating myself with this next sentence ... NWQ's New Member Program continues to have grow! We now 116 members who've joined NWO in the past 12 months. In the first half of April alone, we have 8 new members. Please join me in welcoming our 5 newest individual members: Debbie Jones, Cheryl Castlio, Jeani Winterbourne. Kathleen **DeGeorge and Cheryl Brendle** and our 3 newest business members: Nick Egoroff of Ace Sewing and Vacuum in Tigard & Newberg, Chrissy Dunham of Good Vibes Quilt Shop, and Thea Jorak of Quilting Delights, LLC. To offset this inflow, there are 7 members who "graduate" this month from the New Member Program. Although some have humorously requested a cap & gown stage walk and diploma when they graduate, in reality the desired outcome is that members are fully oriented and integrated to the fullest extent of their interests in the smorgasbord of Northwest activities Ouilters offers, and have found ways in which to volunteer. Of course, we all continue to learn more about our guild, make additional



new friends, and find more places to volunteer as time goes by, so this is really an on-going process. In April, 28 new and established members met at Joyce Swift's home for our monthly lunch & chat. Dawn Sharafi, Small Group Coordinator, was our guest speaker. Stay tuned for several new small groups that are being formed by new members and will be open to all membership. Congrats to April's lucky door prize winners: **Barb Martien, Janet Lide and Jenice Poff!**

PLEASE NOTE: Starting in May 2023, our monthly new member meetings will be held in the church kitchen immediately after morning general meetings; bring a sack lunch. On months with an evening general meeting, new members will continue to meet at Joyce Swift's home until we find larger accommodations. If anyone has access to a meeting space that accommodates 25+ people, please contact me (Joyce Swift) to discuss.

Please mark your calendars with the dates and locations of upcoming meetings; here are the next 2: Mon. May 8th - at the church, immediately after the morning general meeting; bring a sack lunch.

If you're a new member and don't yet feel connected to our New Member Program or would simply like to chat individually please phone, text or email me. My goal is to get to know every new member and I'd love to hear from you. Don't hesitate to contact me:

Joyce Swift, New Member Program Coord. (503) 887-7766;

iccswift@gmail.com.

CREATIVE WORKSHOP

We are now opening registration for our June workshop, **Double Trouble Quilt Block** with **Katie Pederson**, to non-guild members. If you know of someone who might be interested, let them know. Sign up on-line is quick and easy. A homework sheet will be sent beforehand as there is some preparation to be done before the workshop. Looking forward to getting into some good trouble with Katie of Sew Katie Did!

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Kimberbell Treats For My Boo Virtual Event

Create spook-tacular gifts and decor at Treats For My Boo! At Kimberbell's one-day machine embroidery event, you'll make three enchanting projects; the Spooky Spider Jar Topper while at the event, then go home with a wide-mouth size and Scaredy Cat design to stitch later! Our Hocus Pocus Gift Pocket is made with bewitching



embellishments, and our Treats For My Boo Tote is perfect for Halloween candy and more. Treats For My Boo is enjoyable for everyone! With all projects made in 4×4 and 5×7 hoops, Treats For My Boo is so much fun, it's almost scary. \$109.95.

Virtual - August 4, 10am - 4pm.

Next Level Free-Motion Quilting

Next Level quilting is for any quilter who has had an introduction to free motion quilting and is ready to expand beyond beginner skills. Learn Christina's favorite approaches to combining designs, adding texture and increasing the "wow" factor in your quilting. Christina guides students through one exercise at a time, designed to help them show



their skills in the best light. Juki TL-18 free-motion friendly machines, thread, and materials will be provided, as well as light snacks & chocolate. Please bring a sack lunch. \$99.95.

Lake Oswego - September 29, 10am - 4pm.

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Northwest Quilters General Meeting - Monday, April 10, 2023

The hybrid meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Paula Connell.

She welcomed all members as well as guests and new members. Paula shared that today was National Siblings Day and International Safety Pin Day.

Speaker: Evelyn Eason - Evelyn introduced our speakers, Carol Ann Olson, Judith Phelps, Hedda Wright, Gerrie Thompson, Kathy Bovee, and our very own NWQ member, Kathie Kerler, from The Storytellers. We were treated to a trunk show of fabulous quilts along with their back stories as told by the quilters who made them.

Committee Reports:

Comforting Quilts: Sue Hatt - Sue thanked everyone who brought in quilts today. We continue to need finished doll and infant quilts as well as lap and throws.

The next CQ workday is May 3. Everyone is welcome.

Membership: Betty Moore - It's time to renew your NWQ membership. Forms are available in the *Patchword* or on our website.

Community Outreach: Maureen Orr Eldred - Maureen informed us that QOV will be at the Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival on April 20-22. She also told us about the opportunity to see Letters From Home honoring our veterans on April 20th at the Aladdin Theater. She is also looking for volunteers for the Donate Life NW quilt day on April 23rd.

Programs & Workshops: Evelyn Eason - Sign ups are now open online for the Katie Pederson workshop, Designing With Triangles, on June 13. Evelyn is working on having a Laura Heine workshop by the owner of, and at, Feather Your Nest in May. We are looking for a Programs & Workshop chair for next year. See Evelyn if you are interested.

Retreat Information: Barbara Mason - The March retreat was a big success with 33 happy retreaters.

The summer retreat is June 26-29. Look in the *Patchword* for more information and registration forms. Fifteen people have already signed up and there is space for 34. Members get priority through the end of April. So, sign up soon!

Raffle quilt: Carrie Perkins- Today is the last chance to buy tickets for the 2023 Raffle Quilt. The drawing will be held after the break today.

New Members: Joyce Swift - The next new member meeting will be on April 15 at Joyce's home. Starting in May, the new member meeting will follow the morning general meeting. This will occur on the months where there is a morning meeting from now on. On the even numbered months, meetings will be held at Joyce's home.

Room Cleanup: Joyce Swift - Please sign up for cleanup after the meetings. The clipboard is available with sign ups for the next several months.

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NEW MEMBERS

New Member

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New Business Member

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May Birthdays

Kathie Newlyn 2 Joyce Reyman 5 Kathy White 5 Nancy Tubbs 6 Joyce Swift 8 Colleen Hewett 10 Jolene Knight 11 Janet Snyder 19 Anita Uhl 19 Maureen Orr Eldred 20 Cheri Jolivette 21 Ann Davies Hudson 22 Janice Jones 22 Grace Meacham 25 Nancy Neff 25 Mary Fitzgibbons 26 Kris Lawlor 28 Tom Korn 30 Myra Turley 30 Linda Burk 31 Marjorie Rhine 31

Membership

We had 95 people at our April meeting, including one new member and five guests! Come join the fun! Renewals for 2023-24 are open. You may renew online at northwestquilters.org, at our next meeting on May 8th, or by mail. We look forward to hearing from you. Betty Moore, Membership Chair

Quilt Show Follow Up

We will be having our Post-Quilt Show Follow Up meeting at Kathy Anderson's home on Sunday, May 21. This will be a light potluck affair. Bring items for a Salad Bar (Denise is providing the basic salad greens) or other yummy item that you want to share such as finger food or desserts. Please RSVP with Kathy so she can plan seating for everyone by Thursday, May 18th.

If you headed up an activity at the show, please come prepared with a printed report to give Denise for the Chairperson's Notebook. Include time-lines for necessary tasks, what worked well and suggestions for improvement.

See you there!

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES (continued)

Business of the Month: Denise Gies -

There is no Business of the Month drawing this month. There is a new Business Members Table set up in the back with business cards and information about our business members. There are four new business members.

Member Sponsored Award: Denise

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Gies - Denise announced the following recipients of the Member Sponsored Awards from the 2023 Quilt Show: Kathleen Anderson, Kristan Anderson, Ann Bain, Chris Batten. Linda Becker. Lisa Christensen, Debby Drummonds, Rosemary Hammerton-Kelly, Thea Jirak, Cheri Jolivette, Barbara Keller, Chase Lawrence, Christine Lentz, McGowan, Sarah Laureen Nussbaumer, Jim Scheurman, Ed Sugiyama, and Nancy Tubbs. They were each awarded a \$25 prize donated by the member sponsor.

Raffle Quilt 2024:Denise Gies - Quilt blocks are being collected. Call Denise if you need help with yours.

Fifty Shades of Violet and Gold:
Denise Gies - Denise presented an inspiring slide show introducing a quilt challenge to commemorate the 50th anniversary of NWQ in 2024! Members are encouraged to make a quilt using violet and gold for the 2024 Ouilt Show.

Vice-President Needed: Paula Connell - If anyone is interested in volunteering to be Vice-president for the 2023-24 year and in the following year be president, please let Paula or Joan Spencer know.

Challenge Quilt: Melody Burchyski

- Voting is now open for this year's Challenge Quilt. The winner will be announced at next month's meeting.

Volunteers: Kari Martinez - Kari thanked all of the 129 volunteers for their 1000+ hours of work at the 2023 Quilt Show. There is a board at the back of the meeting hall with the names of the volunteers.

NWQ Meetings: Paula Connell -

Paula announced that at the last board meeting, it was decided that our general meeting's format will be changed. We will only have inperson meetings starting in May. Due to equipment and staffing limitations we will no longer be able to offer a virtual means to attend the meetings. We will continue to feature virtual speakers as this allows a wider range of speakers without the travel expenses they would have if they were in person. Paula expressed a big thank you to Jane Ratcliff and Bob Eldred for their efforts to provide hybrid meetings until now and for continuing to enable us to have virtual speakers.

UFO: Linda Robinson - Linda encouraged everyone to continue to work on their UFO's and join in the UFO Challenge. For April, the random number is #4 and you have until May 31 to submit your photos.

2023 Raffle Quilt: Carrie Perkins -

The winner of this year's raffle quilt was Deborah Burton.

BOM Drawing: Liz Hinze - Melody Burchyski won 21 pineapple blocks for the April Block of the Month. Patterns are in the *Patchword*.

Show & Tell: – Joan Spencer - There were 10 beautiful quilts shared for Show and Tell.

Door Prizes: Deidre Meaney - This meeting's door prizes were won by Cheri Jolivette, Melody Burchyski, and Catherine Stillings.

Paula Connell reminded members that there is a small group survey available to fill out. Joan Spencer encouraged people to car pool to meetings.

The next general meeting will be Monday, May 8 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned by Paula Connell at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Morado, Secretary

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



By the time you are reading this issue, Community Outreach volunteers will have completed several events.

have completed several events. Thanks to **Deidre Meaney** for staffing the Threads of Life workshop on April 23rd. Each time we have done this, we are enriched by interacting with the friends and families who come to make blocks in honor of, or in memory of, transplant donors and recipients. Also thanks to those who staffed the Ouilts of Valor booth at the Ouilt. Craft & Sewing Festival at the Portland Expo Center April 20-22: Kathy Anderson, Paula Connell, Barbara Curran, Bob Eldred, Maria Fenstermaker, Denise Gies, Helene Knott, and Jane **Ratcliff.** Right at the same time, the "Letters From Home" - 50-State Tour performance happened on April 20th at the Aladdin Theater. Thanks to Ann and JV Torgerson, Linda Durkin, and **Bob Eldred** who all helped make that happen. We could not have done it without you!

We have been privileged to award some Quilts of Valor in rather unusual circumstances lately – we will take the opportunity to thank our veterans in this way whenever that opportunity occurs.

I continue to receive more Split-Back Star blocks in the mail, from distribution of kits at our booths at our own Quilt Show and at the Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival. We look forward to these coming together to create new Quilts of Valor.

Our regular QOV Sew Days resume on Monday and Tuesday, May 29th (Memorial Day) and 30th, from 10:00 – 3:00. Space is limited so preregistration is required. We have more room for interested volunteers on the Tuesday events, so please call if this appeals to you. If you'd like to sew QOV blocks or assemble a kit at home, please let me know. We appreciate all your support of Community Outreach events.



Quilts of Valor Presentation



We were privileged to help honor Larry P., a US Army 101st Airborne veteran 1965-1968 and a crew chief/door gunner on Huey helicopters in Vietnam. His sister Donna, who lives near Portland, nominated him and had hoped we could award his quilt here, but that just could not be managed. We shipped the QOV to Arizona, where volunteers from the Apache Villa Quilters awarded it to him at his home. He is shown wrapped in his QOV and with his wife, Mary. The quilt was made by Denise Gies, Maureen Orr Eldred, and Jane Ratciff.



Quilts of Valor Presentation



We were honored and delighted to award her Quilt of Valor to Kaitlyn F., a US Air Force veteran 2017 to 2021. Kaitlyn served in Republic of Korea; South Korea; Jordan; and Stateside in Texas, Idaho, Florida, and Nevada. She built and armed munitions, including global military aircraft defense and missile maintenance, and led the training of an entire munitions squadron.

Kaitlyn's quilt was begun at our Northwest Quilters November QOV guild sew day the very same week we met her. I was able to find a picture of her quilt in mid-assembly, with the team of makers (from left): Barbara M., Kathie N., Jeanne R., Denise G., and Susie B. Quilted by Tom Korn and bound by Phyllis Barker. Kaitlyn is shown on April 5th flanked by her "wrappers", Bob and Carly. We thank you for your service, Kaitlyn!

BOARD MEETING MINUTES - April 3, 2023

NWQ Board Meeting - Monday, April 3, 2023

The virtual meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.by Paula Connell, President. Paula began by sharing that today is Inspiring Joy Day as well as Chocolate Mousse Day. Present: Paula Connell. Joan Spencer, Sandy Murphy, Jean Morado, Denise Gies, Liz Hinze, Sue Hatt, Maureen Orr Eldred, Joyce Swift, Betty Moore, Evelyn Eason, Linnie Thomas, Barbara Mason, Traci Kienberger, and Jane Ratcliff.

Standing Committee Reports: Business of the Month, Denise

Gies - There will be no raffle in April. Our Business of the Month is supposed to be Feather Your Nest, but I have lost contact with her so didn't get an article in the *Patchword*. She may still be at our meeting if I can get a hold of her.

Challenge Quilts, Melody Burchyski - See the Patchword for a description of the voting procedure. The Challenge Quilts will be displayed at the April Meeting with voting taking place during the break. Online voting will go live on April 1 and end April 30 at midnight. Voting will take place at the May Meeting during the break with a prize awarded at the end of the meeting.

Comforting Quilts, Sue Hatt - See the article in the *Patchword* for CQ's up-to-date information.

Community Outreach, Maureen Orr Eldred - The regular QOV Sew Days in March were cancelled because ceiling repairs were happening. It should be all completed in time for the April Sew Days. We have received several QOV blocks in the mail and porch drop-off from the kits distributed at the Quilt Show: 13 as of now.

Meeting Set Up/Clean Up, Joyce Swift - Joyce is looking for someone to take over the coordination of our meeting set up and clean up for the coming year. Liz Hinze volunteered to take on the position. Joyce indicated that in the past she brought in 2 vacuums for each meeting and we used one from the church. Denise suggested requesting a donation of used vacuums from some of our business members such as Sew and Vac. Denise is going to look into it.

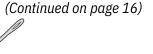
Membership, Betty Moore -The new member gift basket was delivered to Brenda Birmingham on March 18, 2023. The April *Patchword* will have an announcement for renewal of membership. Updated membership forms have been sent to Jane Ratcliff for the website. Tracey Dunlap is working on her instructions regarding the Roster so Barbara Kennedy and Betty can learn what needs to be done.

New Member Program, Joyce Swift

- The NM Program is growing by leaps and bounds. We currently have 115 members who have joined in the past 12 months. The program is running smoothly, with thought being given to issues of growth.

Programs/Workshops, **Evelyn** Eason - Evelyn shared an online event offered by Global Quilt Connection on May 6 & 7 which consists of 6 hours of 15-minute demos. The cost is \$150 for our entire guild or \$20 for individuals. She will be posting more info. We are looking forward to an interesting trunk show for April with Storytellers. Kathie Kerler is a new member of this group. Registration has opened for the Katie Pederson workshop in June. We already have several who have signed up and paid on-line. Since it is a half day workshop the day following an evening meeting, Katie will stay only one night in a hotel. Evelyn is working on our program for May as well as starting the fall line-up from suggestions from our members. She still trying to connect with the owner of Feather Your Nest in Gresham for an in-store workshop doing a Laura Heine pattern. So, no details for this workshop yet.

Quilt Show 2023, Denise Gies -Looks like we cleared about \$8,000, not including the boutique and small quilt raffle. We still have a couple of expenses and income coming in. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a big success!



BOARD MEETING MINUTES - (continued)

Raffle Quilt 2024 - New York Beauty, Denise Gies - Blocks are coming in... we should be able to get the top pieced soon after the April general meeting! Ann Bain is interested in quilting our quilt. She showed some custom quilting at the retreat!

Retreats, Barbara Mason, Traci Kienberger - The NWO Spring Retreat was a complete success for 33 participants. Retreaters made new friends, quilted, laughed, and enjoyed the surroundings of Camp Tilikum. Eight new retreaters were initiated and ioined our ranks. Traci Kienberger and Rita Buckley made our table treats. Virginia Janzig demonstrated her faux piping technique and Joyce Swift showed us how she makes the rope baskets. The best treat was won by Mary Picucci and Virginia won the "I Spy" guessing game. As a group we made good progress on piecing an "I Spy" quilt for Comforting Quilts. Quilt stores in both Newberg and McMinnville gave retreaters discounts for shopping at their stores. Game night featured "Concentration" and "Quingo Quilt Bingo". The Summer retreat is currently being advertised for NWO members only during the month of April. Ten members are already registered for this event. The dates for this retreat are June 26-30, 2023.

Storage Room, Denise Gies - We have finally gotten rid of the 14 boxes of books to a non-profit who helps other non-profits. Also, Kari Martinez has taken most of the leftover fabric from the super sale. It is going to Lutheran World Relief quilts, and what they cannot use will be passed on through a system that LWR has found that helps teach immigrants to sew clothing, and to Sno Cap. Yippee! We will need to sort the items from the quilt show and get it re-organized soon. The Retreat committee is hoping to get the retreat items in there when we do.

Old Business

Volunteer Positions needed: We are still in need of a Vice President, Secretary, Programs, and assistant/s for running the projector and audio for our general meetings. Some suggestions were offered. Please submit any ideas to Paula or Joan.

Certificate of Appreciation: The board reviewed the nomination for the Certificate of Appreciation. Maureen Orr Eldred made a motion to accept the nomination and Denise Gies seconded it. The board voted unanimously in favor. This will be announced and awarded at the June meeting.

New Business

Meeting Format: Jane Ratcliff reported that at the last meeting we had 7 people log in to the virtual meeting, 3 of whom left soon after logging in.

Four remained and only 3 were active. That is less than 1% of the membership. We have a much larger speaker pool when they are virtual, and the money savings is appreciated. Jane would suggest continuing with virtual speakers when possible but discontinuing the hybrid meeting component. The request assistance with the meetings both for running the projector and for hosting the hybrid portion has been made several times with no response. The board discussed this matter. Barbara Mason moved that beginning with our May general meeting we stop the virtual format for members and have in-person only meetings, letting membership know that we don't have the resources to provide hybrid any more. This was seconded by Betty Moore. It was passed unanimously.

50 Shades of Violet & Gold - Denise Gies presented a short video slide show to introduce a NWQ 50th Birthday Challenge for 2024. She would like members to create quilts with using violet and gold for the 2024 Quilt Show. She will be sharing this at the April & May meetings so members can get started. More info to follow.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Morado, Secretary



2023 UFO CHALLENGE

So far, we have five members participating in the 2023 UFO challenge; together, they have completed 12 projects. It's not too late to join in. Gather your UFOs (UnFinished Objects); these should be projects you haven't worked on for at least a year. Give them each a number from 1 to 12 (but don't use #9, #1 or #6 because those numbers have already been drawn). Next take a "before" photo of each project; include the project number in the photo.

Each month a random number will be drawn and listed in the Patchword (and on the guild's Facebook page). That is the UFO you will work on for the next month (actually, you get two months to work on each UFO). When you have completed the project, take another photo (the "after" photo). Submit both photos to me, via email, by the deadline.

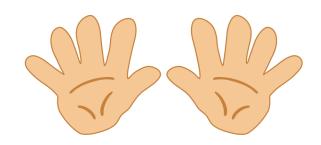
The number drawn last month was #4 (April); to participate in the drawing for prizes, this project must be completed by 5/31/23. The newest number is #10 (May); you have until 6/30/23 to finish this UFO.

Because the end of the calendar year seems so far away, and because I have already obtained some of the prizes, I've

decided to hold two drawings – one at the end of July (when all the June projects have been submitted), and another at the end of January (after all the December projects are in). To be eligible for the July drawing, you must complete and submit at least one UFO project before 6/30/23.

It's always exciting to see what's going to be submitted next.

Linda Robinson lrobinspdx@comcast.net



Financial Overview Report	
Northwest Quilters Patchword Report - April 4, 2	023

Act	ual			Bu	dget			
Budget Heading In		Out	Net	In		Out	Net	More/-Less
Administration	\$4,315.40	-\$10,093.98	-\$5,7	78.58	\$35.00	-\$5,501.88	-\$5,466.88	-\$311.70
Member Progran	\$14,188.40	-\$6,117.41	\$8,0	70.99	\$11,125.00	-\$3,795.00	\$7,330.00	\$740.99
Workshops	\$45.00	-	\$4	15.00 -		-\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00	\$5,045.00
Retreats	\$19,676.00	-\$14,095.21	\$5,5	30.79	\$16,900.00	-\$16,050.00	\$850.00	\$4,730.79
Quilt Show	\$36,795.00	-\$28,156.51	\$8,6	38.49	\$31,050.00	-\$25,250.00	\$5,800.00	\$2,838.49
Raffle Quilt	\$930.00	-\$119.59	\$8	10.41	\$2,000.00	-\$325.00	\$1,675.00	-\$864.59
Comforting Quilts	\$885.00	-\$4,866.88	-\$3,98	31.88 -		-\$7,000.00	-\$7,000.00	\$3,018.12
Community Outre	\$350.00	-\$374.70	-\$2	24.70 -		-\$500.00	-\$500.00	\$475.30
Total	\$77,184.80	-\$63,824.28	\$13,30	80.52	\$61,110.00	-\$63,421.88	-\$2,311.88	\$15,672.40



BLOCK OF THE MONTH - May Basket

Due Date: May 8th meeting

Bring your completed block(s) to the May meeting, or if you won't be attending the meeting, email a picture of completed block(s) to hinzeliz@yahoo.com by the Sunday prior to the meeting.

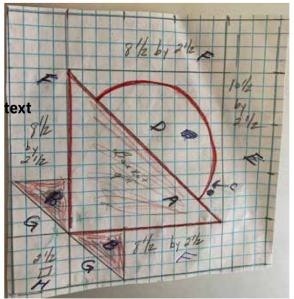
Fabric choices:

Your paragraph text

Dark basket and Light Background

All Blocks:

Α	Dark - 9" x 9"	Cut 1
	Cut on diagional	
В	Dark - 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	Cut 1
	Draw line on diagional	
C	Dark - 14 "x 1 1/4" cut on bias	Cut 1
D	Light - 9" x 9"	Cut 1
	Cut on diagional	
E	Light - 10 1/2" x 2 1/2"	Cut 1
F	Light - 8 1/2" x 2 1/2"	Cut 3
G	Light - 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	Cut 1
Н	Light - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	Cut 1



Assemble:

Prepare C bias strip with finished edges. Strip now measures 1/2" wide. Mark D light triangle on the bias edge 2 1/2" on both sides (small mark). Applique the handle starting in from the 2 1/2" mark. Sew A triangle to D triangle along the bias edge. Press and trim to 8 1/2" square.

Sew F rectangle to A/D square along top left side of handle.

Sew E rectangle to right side of A/D/F block

Sew B square and G square along both sides of the diagional line. Cut B/G apart on the diagional line. Press and trim to 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" Sew B/G square to each F rectangles.

Sew one B/G/F rectangle to one side of the basket.

Sew H square to other B/G/F rectangle.

Unfinished size: 12 1/2" x 12 1/2" quilt block.

Call me Liz Hinze if have any questions 503-522-9867 (call or text) or email me at: hinzeliz@yahoo.com



BLOCK OF THE MONTH - June Strawberry

Due Date: June 12th meeting

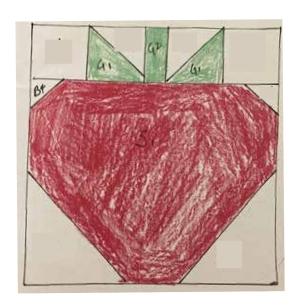
Bring your completed block(s) to the June meeting, or if you won't be attending the meeting, email a picture of completed block(s) to hinzeliz@yahoo.com by the Sunday prior to the meeting.

Fabric choices:

Red (R), Green (G) and Light Background (BG)

All Blocks:

BG1 1 3/4" x 1 3/4" Cut 2 BG2 2 3/4" x 2 3/4" Cut 2 draw a diagional line BG3 1 1/4" x 1 1/4" Cut 2 BG4 3" x 3" Cut 2 G1 2 3/4" x 2 3/4" Cut 2 G2 1" x 1 3/4" Cut 1 S1 5" x 6" Cut 1



Assemble:

Strawberry

Sew BG4 onto the bottom long side of S1 Sew BG3 onto the top long side of S1

Leaves, stem

Sew G1 to BG2 along the diagional line trim to 1 3/4" Make two Sew newly made leaf to either side of G2 stem Sew BG1 to both sides of leaf/stem unit

Sew leaf/stem unit to strawberry unit

Unfinished size: 6" x 6 1/4" quilt block.

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Double-Trouble Quilt Block | Designing with Triangles Workshop with Katie Pederson of Sew Katie Did Tuesday, 13 June 2023 Half Day Workshop

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Cost Only - \$45

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Northwest Quilters' Summer Retreat – June 26-29, 2023

Time to register for the Northwest Quilters' Summer Retreat at Tilikum Retreat Center on Monday, June 26 to Thursday, June 29. No worries about the summer warm weather as each room is equipped with a window air conditioner and all work rooms have AC and fans. Attendance is limited to 34 to ensure a lower level bed for everyone and plenty of space in the work rooms.

Tilikum Retreat Center is just five miles outside of Newberg, Oregon in a beautiful location with comfortable accommodations, great food, and a very caring staff. The 92 acre campus is surrounded by vineyards and hazelnut orchards. Tilikum grounds offer a 13 acre lake (currently being refilled), hiking trails, the retreat center and great summer vistas from many locations.

There are two retreat options: (1) Arrive at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 26. Fee for this option is \$285.00. Included are 8 meals, Monday dinner, a full breakfast, plus lunch and dinner on Tuesday and Wednesday, and brunch on Thursday. (2) Arrive Tuesday, June 27, after lunch for a fee of \$250.00. Included are 5 meals: Tuesday dinner, all meals on Wednesday, and brunch on Thursday. Whichever option you chose, a great time begins when you arrive with your high spirits ready for a fun filled productive time.

Bed linens, pillows, and towels are provided by Camp Tilikum. Extra blankets are available. Other items you need to bring: your project(s), sewing machine, sewing supplies, and to make your room more personal, one of your favorite quilts. Quilt cutting mats, irons, ironing stations will be available.

Early registrations are helpful as NWQ's retreats are planned with limited resources. Registrations will be accepted on a first come/first serve basis for a maximum of 34 participants. NWQ's retreats offer enriching experiences and we welcome your participation! For additional information contact:

Barbara Mason at denbarmas@hotmail.com or 760-977-1128 or Traci Kienberger at traciak@me.com or 503-312-6777.

Keep the top portion for your information			
	Northwest Quilters' 2023	Summer Retreat Registration Form	
Name		Telephone	
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Do you have a preferre	d room at Tilikum?	Late night quilter? Early riser?	
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To reserve your spot:
You may register on-line at the NWQ website

or

A minimum deposit of \$85.00 is required with a completed registration form with any balance owed due by June 10. Refunds, minus a \$10.00 handling fee, will NOT be given after June 10 and ONLY if your reservation can be filled. All retreat materials will be distributed via e-mail, UNLESS you include a self-addressed post-paid business-sized (4" X 9") envelope along with your registration.

Mail a check for the \$85.00 deposit, made payable to NWQ to: Barbara Mason 17007 SE Tong Rd., Damascus, OR 97089





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(July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024) Individual Member Application

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BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 1, 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting link found on <u>Members Only</u> webpage

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, May 8, 9:30 a.m. (opens at 9:00 a.m.)

In-person Meeting

Immanuel Lutheran Church 7810 SE 15th Ave, Portland, OR

COMFORTING QUILTS

May 3, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Workday

Mill End Store - Upstairs 9701 McLoughlin Blvd., Milwaukie OR

Visit the website: Northwestquilters.org



Welcome to all the new members. We are so very happy to have you as part of the guild and hope you will become involved in the various activities that are available.