

Seams Like News

July meeting: Thurs., July 14th, 6:30 @ Aloha Faith Center and on Zoom

A Note from our President...

It's the beginning of the Guild's Fiscal Year, and time to pay your dues. I want to highlight what your \$48 pays for as a member of our guild.

- Speakers, which were a big reason I originally joined, are always interesting and informative. I always come away having learned something new. Sue Hauser, our Program Chair deserves our thanks for her amazing efforts to keep good speakers coming!
- Workshops, invaluable for those seeking to learn, are also a great way to build our community and confirm friendships in a less formal setting. We usually just try to break even, when holding classes, to keep the cost to our members low.
- Retreats satisfy the need for some intensive sewing time, with plenty of socializing too. Start a new project, catch up on something you just can't seem to block out time for at home, or just do what you do, in good company.
- Sewing Saturdays are mini-retreats, sew, socialize, and go home at the end of the day. Also a great way for the curious to make new friends. Our first Sewing Saturday at Aloha Sew and Vac was HUGELY popular It was great to see so many guild members enjoying the day.

When you renew, you will be asked to volunteer. As we come out of the pandemic, we REALLY need some help. Right now we have a few people doing LOTS of work. We need to spread the love. We appreciate those of you who have already stepped up to take on tasks.

As I write this, I am preparing for a family reunion. I look forward to hugging family I haven't seen for way too long. I hope your July brings family love and sunshine!

Marianne Greenley

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(<u>WQCNews@gmail.com</u>) by the Friday after the 4th Monday (AKA the Friday after the Board Meeting).

Postcards

In June, TArts passed out postcard kits for the collection, to be shown at our October Quilt Show. It is not too late to make one, or two. A few kits will be still available at our upcoming July meeting. Completed postcards are due at our August meeting for the reveal and PRIZES!!! Instructions come with the kits. Should you not be able to pick one up in July, you may use your own materials to make one. Just use the directions posted in the June newsletter. You may turn them in at the July or August meeting. Remember, you may want to make an extra one to sell in our Quilt Show's Blooming Boutique.

Need more info or a kit? Contact Jean Lasswell for TArts.



Membership Renewal Season

It's that time again. It's important to get your renewal done so you can participate in all the awesome activities the guild offers, including but not limited to Sewing Saturdays, workshops and retreats.

1.Renewal Season is July 1, 2022 - Aug 31, 2022. After that time, members will only be included in the online directory and not the printed one.

2. Everyone must fill out a form, even if your information has not changed.

 For efficiency, we <u>strongly</u> encourage everyone to use the online system on the <u>website</u> to renew by filling out the online form and making payment online. You may also opt to download the form and mail it in with your check. These are the only two options to renew.
We encourage all members to update their photo.

New members should email their photo to wqgmemb@gmail.com so your photo may be included in the directories. Don't worry that the email appears to go to "Judy Douglas" - it will go to the membership chair.

5. <u>After Aug 31</u>, members who have not renewed will no longer have access to the online directory nor other password protected info on the website.

6. Members need to be in good standing (renewed) to participate in Guild activities.

7. Membership will be available at the July General Meeting to answer any questions or email directly to wqgmemb@gmail.com .

Thank you for your cooperation in making the renewal process as painless as possible. We look forward to having everyone back for a fun packed, in-person year of quilting together.

Chase Lawrence / Laurie Hopper, Membership Chair

l googled my symptoms; turns out l just need more time in my craft room!

Blooming Boutique

Looking forward to our Blooming Boutique at the quilt show.... We need one-of-akind, handmade items of all kinds to sell. Please consider making something to donate, such as holiday ornaments, stocking stuffers, seasonal home decor (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, Halloween, etc.), sewing-related items, or whatever else your imagination can conjure. We like to keep the items in the \$1 - \$20 range.

The Guild has holiday fabrics in storage that you are welcome to use; and we have lots of patterns, fabric and supplies to make all kinds of crafts. If you want fabric from the storage unit, send me an e-mail or call me to arrange a time to meet there. I'd love to hear your ideas and encourage you to make something.

Nancy Stober

July Program: Dawn White

Quiltmaker and teacher, sewing enthusiast, and Scrabble nut.

www.firstlightdesigns.com

Portland quilter Dawn White is a prolific quilter and blogger. The many faithful followers of www.firstlightdesigns.com are treated each week to quilting "eye candy", tips, tutorials, and uplifting thoughts. Dawn will be bringing us a trunk show of her most recent quilts along with some insights she gained along the way.

Dawn will teach a workshop in the near future to make our own "Dresden Neighborhood wall quilts or table toppers. The possibilities are endless with this fun pattern! Look for information soon. This workshop is bound to be a lot of fun!



Want to attend our WQG membership meeting as a guest? Please come in person; or you may e-mail Laurie Hopper (<u>WQGMemb@gmail.com</u>), so the can send you a link to our Zoom meeting.

We're happy to have you visit twice, then we'd love to have you join.

For Trade

Attention Long-armers willing to trade thread!

I am looking for "So Fine" thread made by Superior Threads. They don't have to be new spools. I have thread to trade, some new, some started.

My trading stock includes: Superior Threads King Tut, or Bottom Line, Coats and Clark, Signature, Glide, and Perma-Core.

Contact Patty Dobbs (see membership directory), and leave a message so I know you are a welcome caller.

Quilt Show: Fabric Raffle Buckets

Members, please donate batik and/or black&white 1/2 yard cuts AND any pre-cut kits to our Quilt Show fabric bucket raffle. If you can't bring your fabric cuts to the meeting, you can drop them by Sharon's Attic. Questions, please call Martha Robertson (see membership directory). Thank you.



Quilt Along

Our All-Star Quilt Along has wrapped up. Quilt labels will be available at the July and August inperson meetings; if you don't attend the meetings, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Joyce Greenfield and one will be mailed to you after the July meeting. Our next quilt along will begin in January 2023; between now and then we have the UFO challenge and the WQG Quilt Show to keep us all busy in our sewing rooms!

Quilt Show

Heidi Nesheim is working on the floor plan for our display space. If you think that you would like to submit a queen or king size quilt, please contact Heidi ASAP so we can plan accordingly. We also need a volunteer to do quilt intake and return for all quilt show submissions; contact Heidi for details. Thank you!



UFO Challenge

UFO Challenge is on the move...... and what is a UFO? This is a project that you previously started and not completed.....not fabric in a bag or a pattern you might want to make someday. This must be a project that has quilting in, on, or around it. And so what is a completed UFO: the project is quilted, the binding on, and a label (optional) ---- ready to enjoy or share with another.

The UFO Challenge was started last month (June) but it's not too late to join, and the reveal will be in November 2022. To begin this adventure all you need to do is put together a list of all those "bags" of unfinished projects that clutter your quilting area and your quilting mind. Send this list to Connie Gaebel (email or snail mail). There is no quilting police involved in this adventure. I need the list to help with little surprises or fun information during the timeline of the challenge. There will be some prizes, not sure what (still in the thinking process).

As we get close to the reveal "party" I will ask how many on your list did you complete. Again, don't fret, this is going to be fun. If you get something done, congratulations. If you don't, there is always another time.

Although we are excited to see what all you got done, because of time constraints at the reveal you will each be able to show three "3" of your completed projects.

So join the fun and send me your UFO list. If you have any questions, contact me, Connie Gaebel, at countryquilter06@gmail.com or at 503-504-2699 (cell) or 503-647-5830 (home).

Happy Quilting, Connie

Happy Birthday to You!

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August Birthdays

Claire Gottschalk	2nd
Linda Hall	2nd
Diana Pettibone	4th
Kathy Eriksen	7th
Susan Vosburg	7th
Jennifer Ann Portune	14^{th}
Deneece Hildebrandt	16^{th}
Flo Christiansen	18^{th}
Marilyn Hickman	23 rd
Mary Laase	23 rd
Sue Hauser	26 th
Annie Tinnesand	29 th
Chris Torgeson	29 th

Calendar of Events

Mon, Jul 11	TArts, 11:00 AM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
Thurs, Jul 14	WQG Monthly General Meeting, 6:30 PM @ Aloha Faith Center
Sat, Jul 16	Sewing Saturday, 9 AM – 4 PM, Aloha Sew & Vac
Mon, Jul 26	WQG Board Meeting, 11 AM @ Rood Bridge Park
Wed, Jul 27	No Machines Required – suspended until we find a new venue
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eminder: You must be a member in good standing to participate in our Guild-sponsored events. "Renewal season" is 1 July - 31 Aug. (See renewal details on page 2.)

Calendar: Repeating Events – All Are Welcome!

Challenge yourself to try one of our interest groups. Make new friends while you have fun!

- TArts (The Art Quilts Group) meetings: 2nd Mondays, 11 AM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
- Sewing Saturdays: 3rd Saturdays, 9 AM 4 PM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
- WQG General Meetings: 2nd Thursdays, 6:30 PM @ Aloha Faith Center and on Zoom
- WQG Board Meetings: 4th Mondays, 11 AM @ Rood Bridge Park
- No Machines Required: 4th Wednesdays, 3 5 PM, but currently suspended until we find a new venue

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To find additional contact information for any of our members, please check either your paper copy or our on-line version of the WQG Member Directory.





WQG, July 2022

Keeping Up With the WQG...

Did you know that the Westside Quilters Guild is active on multiple social media platforms?

- Blog: <u>https://www.WestsideQuiltersGuild.com/</u>
- Facebook: Moved to a WQG Group Page https://www.facebook.com/groups/1457581371289730/
- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/explore/tags/westsidequiltersguild/
- E-Mail: <u>WQGPres28@gmail.com</u>
- And just in case you need our mailing address:

Westside Quilters Guild P.O. Box 1036 North Plains, OR 97133



Two Rewards Programs that Support our Guild

We have two rewards programs that you can use to help earn money for guild projects: Amazon Smile and Fred Meyer Rewards. Please consider participating in these.

We are signed up with Fred Meyers Reward Program and Amazon Smiles. It all adds up! Your family and friends can also specify that their donations go to Westside Quilters Guild, if they aren't already donating through either of the organizations. Let's not let those dollars go to waste!

We are also getting signed up with Bottle Drop Give. (Thanks to Heather Perez for bringing this to my attention!) Your bottle deposits can go to the guild, once we're on board; so if this is something you'd like to participate in, you can start saving your bottles and cans. All or a percentage of your deposits can be donated. More information to follow...

Below is what you need to get set up with Amazon Smile and Fred Meyer Rewards.

 Amazon.com: If you shop at Amazon.com, you can choose Westside Quilters Guild as your charity, and as you shop, the guild gets a little bit, too.

Here is the link: AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives.

Once you're signed up, you just shop as you normally would. **Make sure** your web address bar reads "smile.amazon.com," and your purchases will count toward our quarterly earnings.

 Fred Meyer Rewards: Register your Fred Meyer Rewards card and choose Westside Quilters Guild as your Charity of Choice. That's all there is to it! You still get your Rewards and gas discounts, and the guild gets a little in our coffers.

Here's the link to sign up: www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards





Get Your Raffle Tickets Here!

We will continue selling tickets to our lovely raffle quilt "A Quilted Paradise" at our meetings through October. The ticket price is 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. Be sure to bring your dollars to the meeting!

We will have the quilt to show at our meeting, along with tickets for sale, but most importantly, we'll have ticket packets to check out to all our members. Each packet of 12 tickets includes a photo of the quilt, including pertinent information about it, so you will be able to sell tickets to friends and family. The Raffle Quilt Committee can't sell all 3,500 tickets alone, so join us in selling and raising funds to support our guild programs.





There are a couple of rules that sellers need to know. We can only sell tickets within the state of Oregon. We cannot sell tickets to anyone under the age of 18.

If you know of somewhere we can set up a table to sell tickets, such as a bazaar, hair salon, fabric store, quilting event or retreat, or other events, please let the Raffle Committee know.

Many thanks from your Raffle Committee, Marilyn Hickman and Jean Lasswell

Sewing Saturdays

Have projects you want to finish or start? Join us for a day of sewing with friends. Are you hesitant because you are new? No worries, you will leave with lots of new friends.

You only need to bring your sewing machine, project, rotary cutter, your meals (or order from local restaurants), and mask. We provide a cutting station, rulers and ironing stations—and lots and lots of free advice!

Note: There is *NOT* a "freebies" table on Sewing Saturdays.

Questions??? E-mail Heidi Nesheim. (WQG Directory for contact information.)

Sewing Saturdays (9 AM-4 PM): June 18, July 16, August 20

WQG Business Members

